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TAGS: EFIS, PBOR, CA
SUBJECT: BOUNDARY AND FISHERY NEGOTIATIONS WITH CANADA

REF: STATE 168855

1. PRESS RELEASE: WE PASSED TEXT OF PROPOSED PRESS RELEASE TO EXTAFF (COPITHORNE). HE PROMISED TO PROVIDE GOC COMMENTS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND GAVE US FOLLOWING DRAFT OF PREAMBLE OF PRESS RELEASE BY PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE WHICH HAS NOT YET CLEARED THROUGHOUT GOC: BEGIN TEXT. APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL BOUNDARIES NEGOTIATOR. THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE TODAY ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. MARCEL CADIEUX AS CANADIAN SPECIAL NEGOTIATOR FOR CANADA/UNITED STATES MARITIME BOUNDARIES AND RELATED RESOURCE ISSUES. THIS ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DON JAMIESON AND UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF STATE VANCE THAT THE TWO GOVERNMENTS SHOULD APPOINT SPECIAL NEGOTIATORS TO CONDUCT INTENSIVE NEGOTIATIONS OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS IN A MAJOR EFFORT TO REACH A COMPREHENSIVE SETTLEMENT OF THESE ISSUES. THE SPECIAL NEGOTIATORS WILL TAKE UP THEIR APPOINTMENTS ON AUGUST 1. MR. CADIEUX, WHO IS CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE EUROPEAN
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COMMUNITIES, IS A FORMER CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES, FORMER UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND LEGAL ADVISOR TO THAT DEPARTMENT. END TEXT. EXTAFF WILL GIVE US COMPLETE TEXT, WHICH ALSO WILL INCLUDE MAJOR POINTS IN "ELEMENTS" PAPER, PRIOR TO ITS RELEASE, PROBABLY JULY 25.

2. SALMON NEGOTIATIONS: WE REAFFIRMED THAT WE COULD ACCEPT OMITTING "OUTCOME OF" IN PART B PROVIDED THERE WAS INFORMAL UNDERSTANDING THAT SENTENCE HAS THIS MEANING. COPITHORNE THOUGHT HE COULD OBTAIN GOC APPROVAL OF THIS INTERPRETATION AS LONG AS MEANING WAS NOT LIMITED TO "OUTCOME" OF SALMON NEGOTIATIONS. IN OTHER WORDS, COPITHORNE SAID, SPECIAL NEGOTIATORS SHOULD BE FREE TO DETERMINE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, BETWEEN PROGRESS IN AND OUTCOME OF SALMON NEGOTIATIONS AND OTHER NEGOTIATIONS. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER WE CAN ACCEPT THIS INTERPRETATION.

3. POSITIONS TAKEN IN NEGOTIATIONS AND RECOURSE TO ADJUDICATION: COPITHORNE PROMISED TO GIVE US SHORTLY EXTAFF'S REACTION TO OUR POINT (STATE 164105) THAT THERE SHOULD BE UNDERSTANDING PDSITIONS TAKEN BY EACH SIDE DURING NEGOTIATIONS WILL NOT BE USED PREJUDICIALLY AGAINST IT BY OTHER SIDE DURING ANY FUTURE RECOURSE TO ADJUDICATION. ENDERS

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